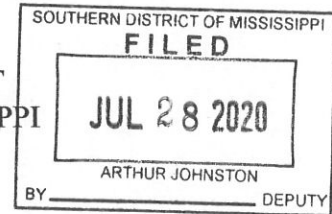


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI  
EASTERN DIVISION



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

CRIMINAL NO. 2:19cr-060-KS-MTP

EARNEST ROMOND BRELAND

**AGREED PRELIMINARY ORDER OF FORFEITURE**

PURSUANT to a separate Plea Agreement and Plea Supplement between **EARNEST ROMOND BRELAND**, by and with the consent of his attorney, and the **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** (hereinafter "the Government"), **EARNEST ROMOND BRELAND**, agrees that the following findings are correct, and further agrees with the adjudications made herein. Accordingly, the Court finds as follows:

1. The defendant is fully aware of the consequences of having agreed to forfeit to the Government his interests in and to the hereinafter described property, having been apprised of such by his attorney and by this Court; and he has freely and voluntarily, with knowledge of the consequences, entered into a Plea Agreement and Plea Supplement with the Government to forfeit such property.
2. The defendant agrees the **One (1) Diamondback Firearms Model DB15, .223/5.56 caliber rifle, serial number DB1736611, One (1) Glock, Model 22, .40 caliber pistol serial number NME237, any ammunition, and \$37,800 in U.S. currency**, herein referred to as the "subject property", were used, or were intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit, or to facilitate the commission of the offense charged in the Superseding Indictment and/or were involved in the offense charged in Count 1 of the Superseding Indictment. Such property is, therefore, subject to forfeiture pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d)(1) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c).

3. The defendant has been apprised that Rule 32.2 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, and 18 U.S.C. § 982 require the Court to order the forfeiture of the **One (1) Diamondback Firearms Model DB15, .223/5.56 caliber rifle, serial number DB1736611, One (1) Glock, Model 22, .40 caliber pistol serial number NME237, any ammunition, and \$37,800 in U.S. currency**, at, and as a part of, the sentencing proceeding. The defendant does hereby waive such requirement and the requirement that the forfeiture be made a part of the sentence as ordered by the Court in the document entitled, "Judgment in a Criminal Case." The defendant and his attorney further agree that the Court should enter this order immediately, and agree that the forfeiture ordered hereunder will be a part of the sentence of the Court regardless whether ordered at that proceeding and/or whether attached as a part of the said Judgment in the Criminal Case.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED AS FOLLOWS:

- a. That the defendant shall forfeit the **One (1) Diamondback Firearms Model DB15, .223/5.56 caliber rifle, serial number DB1736611, One (1) Glock, Model 22, .40 caliber pistol serial number NME237, any ammunition, and \$37,800 in U.S. currency** to the United States.
- b. The Court has determined, based on the defendant's Plea Agreement and Plea Supplement, that the above referenced property is subject to forfeiture pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d)(1) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), that the defendant had an interest in such property and that the government has established the requisite nexus between the above referenced property and such offense.
- c. The United States may conduct any discovery it considers necessary to identify, locate, or dispose of the property subject to forfeiture or substitute assets for such property.

- d. The United States shall publish notice of the order and its intent to dispose of the property in such a manner as the United States Attorney General may direct. The United States may also, to the extent practicable, provide written notice to any person known to have an alleged interest in the subject property. Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(c)(1).
- c. Any person, other than the above named Defendant, asserting a legal interest in the subject property may, within thirty days of the final publication of notice or receipt of notice, whichever is earlier, petition the court for a hearing without a jury to adjudicate the validity of his alleged interest in the subject property, and for an amendment of the Order of Forfeiture, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(n).
- f. Pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(4)(A), this Preliminary Order of Forfeiture shall become final as to the defendant at the time of sentencing and shall be made part of the sentence and included in the judgment, and that this order shall be enrolled in all appropriate Judgment Rolls. If no third party files a timely claim, this Order shall become the Final Order of Forfeiture, as provided by Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(c)(2).
- g. Any petition filed by a third party asserting an interest in the subject property shall be signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury and shall set forth the nature and extent of the petitioner's right, title, or interest in the subject property, the time and circumstances of the petitioner's acquisition of the right, title or interest in the subject property, any additional facts supporting the petitioner's claim and the relief sought.
- h. After the disposition of any motion filed under Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(c)(1)(A) and before a hearing on the petition, discovery may be conducted in accordance with

the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure upon a showing that such discovery is necessary or desirable to resolve factual issues.


- i. The United States shall have clear title to the subject property following the Court's disposition of all third-party interests, or, if none, following the expiration of the period provided in 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(2), which is incorporated by 18 U.S.C. § 982(b), 31 U.S.C. § 5317(c) and 5332, and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c) for the filing of third party petitions.

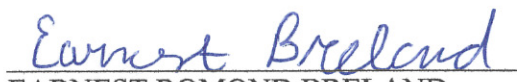
The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this Order pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(e), and to amend it as necessary.

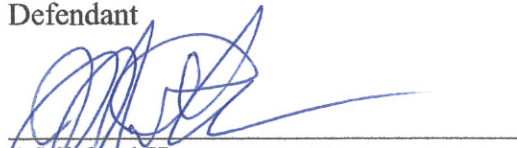
SO ORDERED AND ADJUDGED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of July 2020.

  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

AGREED:

  
Annette Williams  
Assistant United States Attorney

  
EARNEST ROMOND BRELAND  
Defendant

  
J. Michael Horan  
Attorney for Defendant